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HEALTH COMMITTEE.

Composed of the whole of the Members of the Council.

Councillor I. Whitton, J.P., Chairman.

PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF.

Medical Officer of Health:
JOHN R. GRAHAM, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Sanitary Inspector:
H. NUTTALL, C.R.S.I., M.S.I.A.

Assistant Sanitary Inspector:
H. PEARSON, M.R.S.I.
(appointed 1st November, 1937).

Clerk:
MISS H. ONIONS.

Mr. Chairman, Mrs. Sutton and Gentlemen,

I herewith present my Annual Report on the health of the Urban District of Staveley.

The year's workings have been very satisfactory. As mentioned in the body of the Report there is a decrease in the number of infectious diseases notified during the year as compared with 1936. As I explained, comparative figures were difficult to get during 1936 as the previous year, which was the first of the Urban District Council, was not a complete year.

One feels now that the bulk of the organisation and the various unforeseen circumstances which arise in administration under a newly formed authority have been settled and dealt with and that the work is now proceeding more rapidly and smoothly along well tried and organised lines.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN R. GRAHAM,

Medical Officer of Health.

Council Offices,
Lowgates,
Staveley.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

The area of the District is 6,471 acres.

Population.—The estimated population given by the Registrar General was 16,970.

According to the rate books there were 4,363 inhabited houses in the district.

The **Rateable Value** of the District is £68,776. The sum represented by a penny rate is £262.

The **Chief Industries** in the area are coal mining and The Staveley Coal & Iron Company's Iron and Chemical Works.

Live Births—

	Total.	Male.	Female.
Legitimate	258	130	128
Illegitimate	8	5	3
Total ...	266	135	131

Birth Rate.—15.674 per thousand of the estimated resident population.

Still Births—

	Total.	Male.	Female.
Legitimate	19	10	9
Illegitimate	—	—	—
Total ...	19	10	9

Still Birth Rate.—66.66 per thousand total (live and still) births.

Deaths—

	Total.	Male.	Female.
Total ...	179	101	78

Death Rate.—10.548 per thousand of the estimated resident population.

Deaths from Puerperal Causes—

Puerperal Sepsis	Nil
Other Puerperal Causes	Nil

It is pleasing to note that this is the second year in succession in which no deaths have occurred from the above causes.

Death Rate of Infants under 1 year of age—

ALL Infants per thousand live births ...	48.872
Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate live births	48.872
Illegitimate Infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births	—
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	—
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages) ...	1
Deaths from Diarrhœa (under 2 years of age)	—

Deaths from Violence—

Pit Accidents	8
Industrial (other than pit)	1
Other deaths from Violence	7

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES.

(1) Nursing in the Home.

No nursing in the home is undertaken by the Urban District Council.

(2) Midwives.

Are under the supervision of the Derbyshire County Council.

(3) Laboratory Facilities.

All bacteriological work is done at the Bacteriological Department of the County Council at Derby. Chemical analysis is done by the County Analyst at Derby.

(4) **Hospitals.**

It was hoped that commencement would have been made with providing more accommodation at Mastin Moor Hospital, but the matters have been somewhat held up.

Ambulance Facilities.

(a) **Infectious Diseases.**—Dronfield, Langwith, Mastin Moor, Morton, Penmore and Spital Hospitals have Motor Ambulances.

(b) **Non-Infectious Diseases.**—Motor Ambulances are maintained by the Staveley Coal & Iron Company, Limited.

Clinic and Treatment Centres.

County Clinic, Brimington Road, Chesterfield.—Tuberculosis, School Clinics for minor ailments and a Dental Clinic are carried on in this building. Infant Welfare and Pre-natal Clinics are held at Barrow Hill and Staveley.

Dental Clinic, minor ailments, infant welfare and ante-natal clinics are also held in the new building at Staveley.

The County Council provide treatment for venereal disease at the Royal Hospital, Chesterfield.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

New Legislation.

The Housing Act of 1936 came into force during the year.

Water Supply.

During the year a 12 inch main has been laid from Barrow Hill to Troughbrook Lodge which has had the effect of improving the supply generally to the higher parts of the Urban District.

A scheme for the replacement of the mains from Lowgates to Norbriggs has been submitted to the Minister of Health. The effect of these works will improve considerably the supply to Mastin Moor and Woodthorpe.

It has been arranged that samples shall be taken at regular intervals of the domestic supplies in the district. There is close co-operation between your officials and the officials of the North-East Derbyshire Joint Water Committee, and all results of analyses of water are obtained by both sets of officials.

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal.

There has been no change in the sewerage and sewage disposal arrangements during the year.

Housing.

During the year representations have been made in respect of 14 areas, comprising 109 houses.

Inquiries were held on 25th May, 1937 and 23rd November, 1937.

In regard to the inquiry of 25th May, concerning 8 areas and comprising 81 houses, the Orders were confirmed by the Ministry in all cases.

The result of the Inquiry of 23rd November, 1937 of the remainder of the houses is not yet known.

With regard to the housing in the Urban district, the Council may consider themselves fortunate that difficulties concerning site problems are comparatively slight and that suitable sites have been obtained within the Urban district.

It is not to be thought that although the five years programme is now practically completed, housing work will stop, with the building of large numbers of Council houses and also new dwellings erected by private enterprise, the standard of housing has risen enormously during the past five or six years and certain amenities which were looked upon ten years ago as being almost luxuries in the small type of house are now practically necessities and it may well be that legislation in the near future will insist that all dwellings are provided with such amenities.

1. **Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the Year:—**

1.	(a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Act)	424

(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose 587

2. (a) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 161

(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose 240

3. Number of dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation 123

4. Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation 38

2. **Remedy of Defects during the Year without Service of Formal Notices.**

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers 22

3. **Action under Statutory Powers during the Year.**

(a) Proceedings under Sections 17, 18 and 23 of the Housing Act, 1930.

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs 8

(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices:—

(a) By Owners 8

(b) By Local Authority in default of Owners ... ... Nil

(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts:—

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied 317

(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices:—

(a) By Owners 234

(b) By Local Authority in default of Owners ... ... Nil

(c) Proceedings under Sections 19 and 21 of the Housing Act, 1930:—

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made ... 17

(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders ... 1

(d) Proceedings under Section 20 of the Housing Act, 1930:—

(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made ... ... Nil

(2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit ... ... Nil

TABLE 1.—**HOUSING ACT, 1936.**

Overcrowding Cases and Those Rehoused by the Council during 1937.

Ward.	No. of dwellings overcrowded at end of year	No. of families dwelling therein	No. of persons dwelling therein	No. of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year	No. of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	No. of persons concerned in such cases	Dwelling-houses becoming overcrowded after abatement
Barrow Hill	9	9	80	1	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Hollingwood	28	31	237	2	2	8	Nil.
Middlecroft U.D.C. ...	8	9	66	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
Middlecroft Private ...	4	5	19	2	2	7	Nil.
Markham } Markham	12	12	99	1	1	4	Nil.
Poolsbrook } Markham	20	26	178	7	7	36	Nil.
Lowgates	16	18	110	2	10	72	Nil.
Woodthorpe	3	4	21	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
	100	114	810	15	22	127	—

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

Diphtheria.

41 cases of Diphtheria were notified during the past year as against 57 for the previous year. Of the 41 cases notified three died giving a case mortality of 6.97% as against 5.26% last year.

It is pleasing to note that 16 fewer cases of Diphtheria were notified this year. Unfortunately, as last year, there were three fatal cases. Considering that there has been a large number of cases of Diphtheria in the surrounding districts during the latter months of the year, the numbers are not unduly large.

Immunisation.

Only seven children presented themselves for immunisation during the year, five were given one dose of Alum precipitated Toxoid and two were given two doses.

79 children who had been immunised the previous year were Schick tested and of those, ten showed a positive reaction. All the ten cases giving positive Schick reactions had been given one dose of Alum Precipitated Toxoid. Following this result the universal practice is now to give two doses of A.P.T.

Regarding the incidence of Diphtheria in the Urban District, it is curious to note that again the majority of cases have come from Hollingwood and Poolsbrook and very few from the town itself. As I remarked last year one sees far more children playing together in the streets of Hollingwood and Poolsbrook than one does in the town.

Scarlet Fever.

26 cases were notified during the year as against 31 for the previous year. There were no deaths from this disease. Once again it will be noted that the notifications of Scarlet Fever are far below those of Diphtheria. The disease is still maintaining its mild form with very few complications.

Enteric Fever.

No cases of Enteric Fever were notified during the year.

GENERAL.

Schools.

The schools in the district have again been visited and inspected during the year.

Swimming Baths.

The open air swimming bath at Ringwood Hall has been inspected. It is hoped during this year to make arrangements for samples of water to be taken.

Bacteriological Examinations.

Table showing the number of specimens sent from the Urban District, and examined at the County Laboratory, Derby.

TABLE 2.

	Positive.	Negative.
Enterica:—		
Typhoid, Para-Typhoid, A & B ...	—	—
Gaertner, Dysentry, etc.	—	—
Diphtheria	7	27
Phthisis	4	23
Water	—	—
Milk for Tubercle Bacilli (Inoculations):—		
Milk and Dairies Act	2	11
Miscellaneous	—	2
	13	63

TABLE 3.—TUBERCULOSIS RETURN FOR 1937.

Age Periods.	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Under 1 ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1 and over ...	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	2
5 ,, ,, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10 ,, ,, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15 ,, ,, ...	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
20 ,, ,, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25 ,, ,, ...	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
35 ,, ,, ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
45 ,, ,, ...	1	2	—	—	1	2	—	—
55 ,, ,, ...	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—
65 ,, ,, ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total ...	2	4	1	1	3	2	1	2

TABLE 4.—INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Disease.	Total No. Notified	Cases Admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Smallpox	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever	26	20	—
Diphtheria	41	40	3
Enteric Fever	—	—	—
Puerperal Fever	1	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	—
Cerebro-Spinal Fever ...	—	—	—
Pneumonia	48	—	12
Erysipelas	6	1	—
Polio-myeltis	—	—	—
Ophthalmia Neonatorum ...	1	—	—
Encephalitis Lethargica ...	—	—	—

TABLE 5.

CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE STAVELEY URBAN DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR 1937.

	Male	Female
All Causes	101	78
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers	—	—
Measles	—	—
Scarlet Fever	—	—
Whooping Cough	—	1
Diphtheria	1	2
Influenza	8	3
Encephalitis Lethargica	—	—
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	—	—
Respiratory Tuberculosis	3	3
Other Tuberculosis Diseases	1	1
Syphilis	—	—
General Paralysis of the Insane Tabes Dorsalis	—	—
Cancer—Malignant Disease	15	13
Diabetes	1	2
Cerebral Haemorrhage	5	6
Heart Disease	22	12
Aneurysm	—	—
Other Circulatory Diseases	3	5
Bronchitis	3	1
Pneumonia (all forms)	6	6
Other Respiratory Diseases	—	2
Peptic Ulcer	—	—
Diarrhoea, etc. (under two years)	—	—
Appendicitis	1	1
Cirrhosis of the Liver	—	—
Other Liver Diseases	—	—
Other Digestive Diseases	2	1
Acute and Chronic Nephritis	2	4
Puerperal Sepsis	—	—
Other Puerperal Causes	—	—
Congenital Debility, Premature Birth, Malformation, etc.	5	4
Senility	2	1
Suicide	1	—
Other Violence	12	4
Other Defined Diseases	8	6
Causes ill defined or unknown	—	—

	Male	Female	Per 1,000 births
Deaths of Infants under 1 year, including illegitimate ...	6	7	48.872
Deaths of Illegitimate Infants ...	—	—	—

	Male	Female	Per 1,000 living
BIRTHS:—			
Total	135	131	15.674
Legitimate	130	128	15.203
Illegitimate	5	3	.471

TABLE 6.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES DURING THE YEAR 1937, ACCORDING TO AGE PERIODS.

	Total	Under 1 year	1 to 2.	2 to 3	3 to 4.	4 to 5.	5 to 10.	10 to 15.	15 to 20.	20 to 35.	35 to 45.	45 to 65.	65 & over.	Admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Smallpox	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Scarlet Fever	26	—	2	1	2	3	10	3	3	—	2	—	—	20	—
Diphtheria	41	—	2	—	4	3	16	5	6	4	1	—	—	40	3
Enteric Fever	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Fever ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
Puerperal Pyrexia ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cerebro-Spinal Fever ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia	48	1	4	2	5	4	4	—	4	9	7	4	4	—	12
Erysipelas	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	—	—	1	—
Polio-myelitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Encephalitis Lethargica ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Tuberculosis:—															
Pulmonary—															
Male	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	2	3
Female	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2	—	1	2
Non-Pulmonary—															
Male	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Female	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	2

STAVELEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SANITARY INSPECTOR AND CLEANSING SUPERINTENDENT

(H. Nuttall, C.R.S.I., M.S.I.A.,)

For the Year 1937.

To the Chairman and Members of the Staveley Urban District Council.

Lady and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting the report on the activities of the Department for the year 1937. The Report follows the lines of previous Annual Reports, the Sanitary Section being for the year ending 31st December, 1937, and this year the Public Cleansing Section for the financial year ending 31st March, 1938.

The past year has again seen much activity in both sections, in the Sanitary Section considerable work has been carried out in regard to Slum Clearance and the supervision and inspection of overcrowding, also the preparation for conversion of pails and privy middens.

In connection with the Slum Clearance areas and individual unfit houses, much useful work has been accomplished. An additional Slum Clearance programme was submitted to the Committee.

In submitting this report may I once again take the opportunity of tendering my sincere thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Committee for their constant support, and the staff for their co-operation, and finally, the staff of the Cleansing Department for their ever ready assistance and efficient manner in which they have carried out their duties during the year.

I am,

Your Obedient Servant,

H. NUTTALL,

Sanitary Inspector and
Cleansing Superintendent.

Slum Clearance and Individual Unfit Houses.

During the year 14 clearance areas have been represented to the Council affecting 109 houses and displacement of 372 persons. In addition 20 houses were submitted for individual unfit houses. Of the clearance areas 81 houses were confimed by the Ministry and of the individual unfit houses 17 were not contested, the owners of the remaining three houses giving an undertaking to carry out all necessary repairs.

Two clearance areas were demolished during the year and sites cleared, a total of 29 houses. One individual unfit house was demolished and the site cleared.

INDIVIDUAL UNFIT HOUSES.

In addition to the foregoing detailed inspections and official representations were made in respect of the undermentioned houses.

			Statutory Notices Confirmed.
Coke Oven Cottages ...	6 houses	...	Yes.
Summit House ...	1 house	...	Yes.
Hollingwood Common	4 houses	...	Yes.
L.M.S. Station House	1 house	...	Yes.
Woodthorpe ...	2 houses	...	Yes.
Caravans Elm Tree Yd.	3 houses	...	Yes.
Seymour Cottages ...	3 houses	...	Owners submitted Undertaking.

TABLE OF SLUM CLEARANCE.

Area	Address	Date of Representation	Date of Ministry Inquiry	Result of Inquiry	Total Number of Houses Affected	Total No. of Persons Displaced
No. 7	Hollingwood No. 1	May 25th, 1937...	Sept. 29th, 1937	Confirmed	10	36
,, 8	Hollingwood No. 2	do. ...	do.	do.	2	6
,, 9	Lees Buildings	do. ...	do.	do.	24	85
,, 10	Bent Lane	do. ...	do.	do.	10	33
,, 11	Worksop Road No. 1 ...	do. ...	do.	do.	11	36
,, 12	Worksop Road No. 2 ...	do. ...	do.	do.	11	30
,, 13	Woodthorpe	do. ...	do.	do.	5	19
,, 14	Mastin Moor	do. ...	do.	do.	8	21
,, 15	Marples Row	Nov. 23rd, 1937	Not known ...	Not known	17	60
,, 16	Renishaw Road	do.	do. ...	do.	2	6
,, 17	Woodthorpe No. 1	do.	do. ...	do.	3	9
,, 18	Woodthorpe No. 2	do.	do. ...	do.	2	12
,, 19	Woodthorpe No. 3	do.	do. ...	do.	2	8
,, 20	Hollingwood No. 3	do.	do. ...	do.	2	11
14 areas.					109	372

Housing.

The number of houses in the Urban District at 31st December, 1937 was:—

Lowgates Ward	970
Middlecroft Ward	942
Barrow Hill Ward	565
Hollingwood Ward	796
Markham Ward	799
Woodthorpe Ward	291
	4363

The undermentioned table gives the numbers and types of houses built by or in course of erection by the Council on Chesterfield Road and Common Spot sites:—

A2 type Bungalows	52
A3 type Houses	478
B3 type houses	119
B4 type Houses	14
	663

Duckmanton Housing Scheme:—

A3 type Houses	45

A total of 708 Houses.

The undermentioned shows the number of houses erected by the Council and private enterprise during the year ended 31st December, 1937.

By Council	90
By Private Enterprise	28
Total	118

The development of houses is mainly on Common Spot by the Council and on Chesterfield Road and Norbriggs Road by private enterprise.

REPORT OF SANITARY INSPECTOR FOR YEAR 1937.

	Number of Inspections made by Sanitary Inspector	Number of Notices served		Number of Nuisances abated with or without Notice
		Informal	Legal	
Closets and Ashpits:—				
Defective Privies, Pail Closets and Ashpits ...	—	—	—	—
Conversions of Privies into W.C.'s	42	21	6	21
Conversions of Pail Closets into W.C.'s	32	20	—	20
Conversion of Privies into Pail Closets	—	—	—	—
Defective Water Closets ...	9	6	—	6
Provision of Additional Water Closets	8	3	—	3
Provision of Portable Ashbins	70	36	—	288
Dirty Closets	—	—	—	—
Drainage:—				
No Disconnection of Waste Pipe	12	7	—	7
Defective Waste Pipe, Traps, Inlets and Drains	10	4	—	4
Drains obstructed	14	6	—	6
Other Defects:—				
Paving of Courts and Yards	16	28	1	28
Roofs, Eaves-Spouts and Downspouts	24	15	8	18
Sinks	12	6	6	6
Insufficient Ventilation ...	10	6	8	4
Windows	12	4	8	12
Dampness	34	18	8	10
Water in Cellars	12	4	—	3
Water Supply	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding	220	—	—	111
Foul Condition of Houses ...	3	1	—	1
Offensive Accumulations ...	9	2	1	2
Animals improperly kept...	—	—	—	—
Pigsties	—	—	—	—
Smoke nuisances	2	1	—	1
Urinals	36	—	—	4
Nuisances not specified above	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	587	188	46	555

	Number on Register	Inspections Made	Notices Served	Nuisances abated with or without Notice
Dairies, Cowsheds & Milkshops	46	52	—	—
Bakehouses	8	12	—	—
Slaughterhouses	3	170	—	—
Offensive Trades	2	4	—	—
Common Lodging Houses ...	—	—	—	—
TOTAL	59	238	—	—

Dairies and Cowsheds.

During the year inspections were made of all the cowsheds and dairies in the area. There were no complaints with regard to the wholesomeness of milk produced within or brought into the district.

There are 46 cowkeepers, 8 dairymen or milk purveyors and 37 retail purveyors on the register.

52 inspections of premises have been made and the buildings found to be satisfactory. All cowsheds and dairies were cleansed and limewashed twice during the year, two cowsheds have been entirely remodelled and two new dairies were built.

Two Accredited Licences were issued by the County Council to:—

The Staveley Coal & Iron Co., Ltd.,
Ringwood Farm, Brimington.

F. Robinson,
Chesterfield Road Farm, Staveley.

Smoke Observations.

No observations have been taken during the year, the works being mostly Steel and Iron Works, no time limit or bye-laws with regard to the emission of smoke have been adopted.

Food Supplies.

There are three registered slaughterhouses in the district. No notices have been issued during the year and the premises have been kept clean and in a satisfactory condition.

Butchers' premises and meat stalls are kept under observation the following table shows the number of inspections, together with the quantity of meat condemned and destroyed as unfit for human food.

Number of Slaughterhouses	3	
Number of Meat Inspections	170	
Visits to Slaughterhouses	332	
Number of Bovine carcasses inspected	...	219
Number of Sheep carcasses inspected ...	...	441
Number of Pork carcasses inspected ...	...	548
Total number of carcasses inspected	...	1208

Amount of meat condemned and destroyed:—

Beef	1113 lbs.
Pork	140 lbs.
	1253 lbs.

Included in the beef condemned was one whole carcase and portion of beast, all of which had Tuberculosis. The pork concerned one whole pig which had Jaundice.

Parts or Organs.

Beasts' Heads and Tongues ...	6	
Livers	12	
Hearts	5	
Kidneys	4	
Lungs	5	
Udders	3	pairs
Offals	2	sets
Pigs' Heads	10	
Plucks	4	
Offals	3	sets

All the above mentioned parts, both beasts and pigs, (except four beasts' livers which were Cirrhosis) were affected by Tuberculosis.

Soft Fruits and Confectionery.

Frequent inspections of shops and stalls were made for the purpose of detecting unsound articles and I am pleased to say that no complaints were necessary. The shopkeepers showed willingness to listen to any suggestions made for the protection from dust and dirt of articles exposed for sale.

Bakehouses.

There are eight bakehouses in the district. The premises were kept in a satisfactory state and no complaints had to be made.

Offensive Trades.

There were two premises in the area, one blood boiling and gut scraping, and one tripe boiling. In the case of tripe boiling, a Statutory Notice was issued for considerable repairs to be done, but the owners decided to close the premises during the year.

Infectious Diseases.

Inquiries are made into all cases of Infectious Diseases, and any defects or nuisances are dealt with. Disinfectant is given out free and disinfection of premises is carried out where desired.

During the year 67 premises have been visited and 70 rooms disinfected.

Disinfectants are supplied at cost price to any householder, a special bottle being provided.

Workshops.

There are two classes as workplaces and 25 as workshops, the latter all in a small way. The number of visits paid during the year was 27 and no nuisances arose nor regulations broken. There are five outworkers in the district, who work at lace, lace curtains and nets.

Privy Conversions.

Some progress has been made in this connection and thirty pail closets have been converted during the year, also 8 privies converted into the water carriage system.

Satisfactory proceedings are being made for the conversion of 51 pails and 20 privies at Barrow Hill and most of the remaining privy middens in the area.

Sanitary Conveniences.

Summary of closet accommodation in the district at 31st December, 1937 :—

Fresh Water Closets	3974
Waste Water Closets	85
Privies	76
Privy Middens	59
Pail Closets	60

The proportion of dwelling-houses provided with water closets is 91.09%.

Cesspools.

A number of cesspools still remain and during the year a Statutory Notice was issued to reline one cesspool and relay all drains. This was carried out. Two notices were also sent for overflowing cesspools.

Storage of Petroleum.

The number of licences granted was 15 and the quantity sanctioned to be stored was 188,000 gallons.

Two licences were granted to store 280 lbs. of Carbide of Calcium.

The whole of the licences granted covered for storage in bulk and special tanks.

Tents, Vans and Sheds.

There are twelve living caravans and similar structures in the district, 26 visits were made during the year. In respect of three of the vans, "Individual Unfit" notices were served on the owners, who decided not to contest the notices.

Houses let in Lodgings.

There are no such houses in the district.

Rats and Mice Destruction.

During the year complaints were received from six householders on the Common Spot Housing Estate regarding a nuisance from rats. Rat poison baits were laid and a local rat catcher employed. The infected houses were cleared and no further complaints were received.

Rag and Flock Acts, 1911 and 1928.

There are no premises in the district where rag and flock is manufactured or sold.

Shops.

During the year inspections and visits to shops were made and special visits to markets. Only one case was dealt with of sale of goods after hours.

Number of visits to shops	170
Number of visits to markets	52
Number of notices sent re shop regulations	179

PUBLIC SANITARY CONVENIENCES.

The Cleansing and maintaining of the Public Conveniences is vested in the Health Committee.

No new conveniences were erected during the year, but a change in the attendants has been made.

The following is a list of conveniences maintained by the Department.

SITUATION.	Accommodation for females.	Accommodation for males.
Market Street, Staveley ...	2 W.C.'s	2 W.C.'s, 4 Urinal Stalls
Inkersall Road, Staveley ...	Nil	Nil 4 Urinal Stalls
Barrow Hill, Staveley ...	Nil	Nil 4 Urinal Stalls

The cost of the service during the year was as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Wages of Cleaners	57	3	7
Water and Electricity	8	19	9
Toilet Requisites, Cleaning materials, Repairs, etc.	10	19	0
Gross Cost	77	2	4
Receipts	12	14	0
Nett Cost	64	8	4

STAVELEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

CLEANSING REPORT FOR 1937.

To the Chairman and Members of the Staveley Urban District Council.

Lady and Gentlemen,

I beg to present my Third Annual Report on the cleansing of your district for the year 1937.

The Health Committee are responsible for the cleansing and disposal of the contents of privy middens, ashpits, dust bins and pail closets and for the cleansing and maintenance of Public Sanitary Conveniences.

1. Storage.

The following are the types and numbers of receptacles in use at the 31st March, 1938.

Dust Bins	4,471
Ashpits	56
Privy Middens	100
Pail Closets	57

2. Refuse Collection Service.

The service has again been well maintained throughout the year. The following table gives the numbers and types of receptacles cleansed and loads collected.

	1937-8.	1936.	1935.
Dust Bins ...	285,474	259,656	230,245
Dry Ashpits ...	583	920	1,030
Wet Ashpits ...	878	743	903
Privy Middens ...	1,054	1,141	1,277
Shop Refuse ...	135	109	90
Pail Closets ...	3,020	4,459	4,832
Dry Refuse ...	2,789	2,942	2,729
Wet Refuse ...	538	639	358
Loads ...	3,462	3,691	3,177

The cost of collection is allocated to the sections of the service as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Refuse Collection	2,742	4	6
Refuse Disposal	134	16	9
	2,877	1	3

3. **Refuse Disposal.**

The method of Refuse Disposal in the Urban District is that of land reclamation. For this purpose the Council own seven acres of land at Back Lane, which is fairly central for the area. This land is nearing completion as a tip and the Committee will soon have to consider a future method of disposal.

1. By the purchase or leasing of land to be used for tipping.

2. The provision of a mechanical separation and salvage plant combined.

The character and composition of the refuse does not materially alter owing to the fact that most of the collection is from miners' homes who have home coal supplied.

Some difficulty has been experienced on the tip by persons wilfully setting fire to it and raking out loose materials. Warnings are posted and several persons have been reported to the Committee. I am of the opinion that the Council should take proceedings when proof of damage or fire can be ascertained, as a great deal of work and expense is incurred in dealing with fires, etc.

The following table gives the particulars of collection by the vehicles.

Vehicles.	Dust Bins	Wet Ashpits	Dry Ashpits	Privies	Pails	Dry Refuse	Wet Refuse	Shop Refuse	Loads
No 1 Fordson, 7 cu. yds.	116,161	132	35	155	1,418	842	29	31	902
No. 2 S.D. Freighter, 5 cu. yds.	58,866	58	17	89	133	711	23	6	740
No. 3 S.D. Freighter, 7 cu. yds.	107,814	128	68	188	1,469	828	75	31	934
Horse and Cart ...	2,633	560	463	622	—	408	411	67	886
TOTAL	285,474	878	583	1,054	3,020	2,789	538	135	3,462

(a) **Trade Refuse.**

A weekly collection of trade refuse is made, one bin being allowed for each snop, additional refuse is charged at a flat rate of 7/6 per annum.

(b) **Nightsoil Collections.**

This service is carried out by horse and cart, and the cost for the year was as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Wages, Insurance and Superannuation ...	129	13	0
Horsekeeping, Shoeing and Repairs, etc. ...	65	12	6
Depreciation—Horse and Cart	15	0	0
Total ...	210	5	6

4. **Transport Department.**

This department consists of three petrol-driven mechanical vehicles, the cost of which was as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Depreciation of Fordson No. 1	50	0	0
Depreciation of S.D. Freighter No. 2 ...	5	0	0
Depreciation of S.D. Freighter No. 3 ...	75	0	0
Licences	110	0	0
Insurances	18	10	0
Petrol	146	16	3
Tyres, Repairs, Oil	150	7	2
Wages of Drivers	531	5	10
Wages of Scavengers	1,203	11	10
Insurances and Superannuation	123	1	4

Cleansing Costs for Year Ending 31st March, 1938

Collection.

	£	s.	d.
Wages. Superannuation. Insurances, etc.	1,987	12	0
Depreciation of Freighters and Horse and Cart	145	0	0
Licences	110	0	0
Insurances	18	10	0
Petrol	146	16	3
Oils, Tyres and Repairs, etc	150	7	2
Horse Fodder, Shoeing, etc.	65	12	6
Maintenance	118	6	7
	2,742	4	6

Disposal.

	£	s.	d.
Wages, etc.	54	2	3
Rents, Rates, etc.	33	0	0
Mechanical Transport	47	14	6
	134	16	9

	£	s.	d.
Collection and Disposal	2,877	1	3
Revenue	8	12	6
Nett Cost ...	2,868	8	9

1	Total Refuse in Loads	3,462
2	Population	16,970
3.	Area	6,471 acres.
4.	Annual Cost of Collection and Disposal per House approx. ...	13/1¾d.
5.	Weekly Cost of Collection approx.	3¼d.
6.	Average Length of Haul	1½ miles.
7.	Method of Collection	Motor Transport 90%
8.	Method of Disposal	Land reclamation.

I am, Lady and Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,

H. NUTTALL,

Cleansing Superintendent.